

A grayscale photograph of the Wisconsin State Capitol building, featuring a large central dome and classical architectural details, surrounded by trees and a lawn.

**YOUR GUIDE  
to**

**STATE AGENCIES**

**distributed by:**

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# Indiana Housing Finance Authority

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

115 W. Washington St.  
Suite #1350, South Tower  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

1-800-872-0371

**or**

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/ihfa](http://www.in.gov/ihfa)

The IHFA is a lending institute geared toward assisting with the financing of home mortgages and the development of rental properties. Income eligibility is determined on a county-by-county basis. For a 1 or 2 person family, income levels can range from \$46,000 to \$62,000. For 3 member or larger families, eligible income levels range from \$53,000 to \$64,000. No state taxes are utilized for the IHFA since all funding is handled through local banks and mortgage companies.

“The way to have good and safe government, is not to trust it all to one,  
but to divide it among the many,  
distributing to every one exactly the functions he is competent to (perform).”

Thomas Jefferson

## Indiana Office of the Utility Consumer Counselor

The OUCC is your unofficial representative in matters regarding the regulated industries of electricity, gas, telephone, water and sewer. This office promotes the views of utility customers when utility companies apply to change rates, service new areas or deregulate. The charge of the OUCC is to promote the best service at the lowest cost reasonably possible.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

IGC North, Room N501  
100 N. Senate Ave.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-2494

**or**

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/oucc](http://www.in.gov/oucc)

# Indiana Rural Development Council

The IRDC is a combination of profit and not-for-profit organizations committed to meeting the economic and social needs of Indiana's rural communities. As an advocate of rural Indiana, the IRDC encourages partnerships between organizations at the local, state and federal levels. Member agencies and organizations of the IRDC are assisted in identifying and solving local housing, communication and environmental problems.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

150 W. Market Street  
ISTA Center, Suite 414  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-8776

or

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/irdc](http://www.in.gov/irdc)

# Indiana State Department of Health

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

2 N. Meridian Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)233-1325

or

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/doh](http://www.in.gov/doh)

Once only used as a means of registering births and deaths, this department now investigates health and safety concerns on behalf of all Hoosiers. In addition, the state health commissioner has administrative responsibility for Silvercrest Children's Development Center, Indiana School for the Deaf, Indiana School for the Blind, Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home and the Indiana Veterans' Home. The Department of Health is also still the office that holds the complete records for immunizations and diseases, and marriage, birth and death certificates.

To raise and educate the awareness of infant mortality,  
The Department of Health now offers an "Heirloom Birth Certificate."  
The proceeds go toward infant mortality programs.

# Indiana State Department of Personnel

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
IGC-South, Room W161  
302 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call**  
(317)233-3777  
**Check it out on the web!**  
[www.in.gov/jobs](http://www.in.gov/jobs)

The state's "human resources office," the State Personnel Department is responsible for recruiting and maintaining state government's workforce. This department manages and lists job openings of various state agencies on the weekly Job Bank. Anyone interested in employment opportunities with state government should contact the Personnel Department during the week or access the department's webpage.

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**"There are no necessary evils  
in government.  
Its evils exist only in its abuses."  
Andrew Jackson**

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## Indiana State Library

Open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, the State Library is quite similar to any public library. It is open to the general public. In addition to housing a wide variety of books, periodicals and newspapers, this library is an excellent source of genealogy information. The genealogy section includes archives, census records, and marriage and cemetery records. Their website is a great link to other Indiana libraries.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
140 N. Senate Ave.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call**  
(317)232-3675  
or  
**Check it out on the web!**  
<http://www.statelib.lib.in.us>

# Indiana State Museum and Historical Sites

A division of the Department of Natural Resources, this agency is comprised of 16 historical sites throughout the state and the new State Museum, opened in 2002. Located in Indianapolis, the Museum is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 4:45 p.m. Individuals can experience Indiana heritage by touring the Museum or traveling to a historical site like Angel Mounds in Evansville or the Grissom Air Museum in Peru.

## Visit These Historical Sites:

Angel Mounds — Evansville  
Corydon Capitol — Corydon  
Culbertson Mansion — New Albany  
Grissom Air Museum — Peru  
Colonel William Jones House — Gentryville  
Lanier Mansion — Madison  
Levi Coffin House — Fountain City  
Limberlost — Geneva  
Mansfield Roller Mill — Mansfield  
New Harmony — New Harmony  
Pigeon Roost — Scottsburg  
Ernie Pyle House — Dana  
T.C. Steele House — Nashville  
Gene Stratton-Porter House — Rome City  
Vincennes Territorial Capitol — Vincennes  
Whitewater Canal — Metamora

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
650 W. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call**  
(317)232-1637  
or  
**Check it Out on the Web!**  
[www.in.gov/ism](http://www.in.gov/ism)

## Indiana State Police

Although most people only think of the State Police as they are watching out for “troopers” on the highway, the Indiana State Police Department serves many purposes. Its primary jurisdiction for traffic control is interstates, highways and state roads. However, state police do assist local police, upon request, with crime investigations. In addition, they are sponsors of a variety of public programs, such as Summer Youth Camps and Project Hoosier Safe-T.

**For More Information, Please Send to:** IGC North, 3rd floor 100 N. Senate Ave. Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call** (317)232-8200 or **check it out on the web at:**  
[www.in.gov/isp](http://www.in.gov/isp)



# State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA)

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
IGC-South, Room E208  
302 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**  
(317)232-3980  
**Check it out on the web!**  
[www.in.gov/sema](http://www.in.gov/sema)

SEMA has been combined with the Department of Fire and Building Services (DFBS) and the Public Safety Training Institute (PSTI) to provide public safety services to Hoosiers. They seek to minimize the effects of a disaster by taking the necessary steps before and after a disaster occurs. Responsibilities of the consolidated agency include emergency management, emergency medical services, building safety and fire protection as well as professional training.

## State Information Center

If you need a starting point or quick answer as you are attempting to work through the maze of state government, the State Information Center may be able to help. The office is available to answer questions by phone Monday through Friday from 8 a.m to 5 p.m. If the State Information Center cannot directly answer your questions, it is their responsibility to find out who can.

**Although this booklet  
contains information on 40 various agencies,  
altogether Indiana has more than 70 state agencies,  
approximately 38,000 employees  
and more than 800 worksites.**

**For more information, please send to:**  
**IGC South, Room W160**  
**402 W. Washington Street**  
**Indianapolis, Indiana 46204**

**Call, toll-free: 1-800-45-STATE**  
**or**  
**check it out on the web at:**  
**[www.in.gov/sic](http://www.in.gov/sic)**

# Indiana Attorney General

The state's chief legal officer, the Attorney General is responsible for serving and protecting the citizens of Indiana. Investigating unfair business practices, compiling the "Do not call" list, taking away the licenses of incompetent health professionals and assisting local prosecutors in putting criminals behind bars are just a few of the Attorney General's duties. In addition, this statewide elected official and its staff represent the state government in lawsuits filed against the state.

**Just the Facts  
on Indiana's Attorney General:**

**Name: Steve Carter**

**Party: Republican**

**Home: Lowell**

**Elected: November, 2000**

**Contact Information:**

200 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-6201

or

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/attorneygeneral](http://www.in.gov/attorneygeneral)

**Toll-Free Consumer Protection Hotline:**

**1-800-382-5516**

**Indiana Telephone "Do Not Call" List:**

**1-888-834-9969**

## Indiana Workforce Development

**For More Information,**

**Please Send to:**

10 N. Senate Avenue  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-7670

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/dwd](http://www.in.gov/dwd)

The Department of Workforce Development is a tool to obtain information as to how the job market is progressing. This office offers a wide range of services from posting state and federal jobs as well as private jobs throughout the United States. You can discover wage trends, unemployment tax information, career planning assistance, and education and training information. The Department of Workforce Development also administers the unemployment insurance program available to assist Hoosiers.



# Indiana Board of Accounts

If you have any questions regarding the finances of any governmental unit in Indiana (state or local) you can direct your inquiries to the State Board of Accounts. Audits of all governmental entities are conducted by the State Board of Accounts in an effort to reveal any fraud or noncompliance with local, state and federal statutes.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

302 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-2513

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/sboa](http://www.in.gov/sboa)

## **Governmental Entities Audited By State Board of Accounts:**

120 State Agencies (Annually)  
168 License Branches (Annually)  
92 Counties (Annually)  
117 Cities & 20 Towns with more than  
5,000 pop. (Annually)  
436 Other Towns (Biennially)  
1,008 Townships (Biennially)  
State Universities (Annually)  
294 School Corporations (Biennially)  
19 School Cooperatives (Biennially)

**The State Board of Accounts also regularly audits: Municipal Utilities & Special  
Districts, Public Libraries, and County Hospitals**

# Indiana State Fire Marshal

The State Fire Marshal provides many services to the State of Indiana. This office not only enforces the Indiana Fire Prevention Code and investigates the cause and origin of fires, but it also lends support to fire departments and communities by providing technical advice during large fires and hazardous material emergencies.

For More Information, contact:

402 W. Washington Street, Rm. E241

Indianapolis, IN 46204

(317) 232-2222 or

Toll-free: 1-800-423-0765

[www.in.gov/sema/osfm.html](http://www.in.gov/sema/osfm.html)



**Don't Forget to Check Your Smoke Alarms!**

# Indiana Board of Animal Health

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

805 Beachway Drive,  
Suite 50  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46224

**Call**

(317)227-0308

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/boah](http://www.in.gov/boah)

Originally created as the State Veterinarian Office to prevent and suppress contagious and infectious diseases among livestock, the Board of Animal Health has greatly expanded over the last hundred years. It continues its original mission, but it now also protects public health by controlling the spread of animal diseases, maintaining a vital link in a safe food supply, and assisting people and their animals that are victims of large scale natural disasters. This office works closely with veterinarians, farmers, the U.S. Department of Agriculture veterinarians, and other states' animal health officials to monitor the health status of all animals crossing Indiana's borders.

*Indiana is home to the nation's first statewide emergency response network for animal owners. During a flood or tornado, The Board of Animal Health's State Annex for Veterinary Emergencies (SAVE) is prepared to respond.*

# Indiana Department of Insurance

In order to practice the selling of insurance in Indiana, agents must be registered through the Department of Insurance. The department is charged with enforcing the standards prescribed by law to maintain a license. Also, the Department of Insurance handles complaints by consumers against insurance companies.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

311 W. Washington Street  
Suite 300  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-2385

or

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/idoi](http://www.in.gov/idoi)

# Indiana Secretary of State

Another of Indiana's statewide elected officials, the Secretary of State and staff are primarily responsible for two areas: elections and business. They are responsible for assisting the Indiana Election Division to oversee candidate declarations, certifying election results, and maintaining campaign finance reports. On the business end, the office is in charge of chartering new businesses, filing commercial liens, and the issuance of trademarks, notaries public, and summonses. Another responsibility for the Secretary of State is overseeing Indiana's securities industry. They are charged with protecting Indiana investors by bringing enforcement actions against companies and individuals selling securities in violation of Indiana law.

## **Just the Facts on Indiana's Secretary of State:**

**Name: Todd Rokita**  
**Party: Republican**  
**Hometown: Munster**  
**Elected: 2002**

## **For More Information, Please Send to:**

200 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

## **Call**

(317)232-6531

or

## **Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/sos](http://www.in.gov/sos)

**Records of the executive, legislative and judicial branches began in the 1790s and include papers of every governor; bills, acts and reports of the General Assembly; and proceeds of both the Supreme and appellate courts.**

# Indiana Commission on Public Records

Created in 1978, the Commission on Public Records has the mammoth responsibility of managing the records of all state agencies. If you are ever interested or need to see public records from any state agency, you will need to contact the Commission on Public Records. In addition, the State Archives Division maintains government records of permanent historical and legal significance. The State Archives office is located in the State Library and is open from 8 a.m to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## **For further information, contact:**

**402 W. Washington Street, W472**

**Indianapolis, IN 46204**

**(317)232-3373**

**[www.in.gov/icpr](http://www.in.gov/icpr)**

# **Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA)**

FSSA is a conglomerate of divisions designed to help families and individuals in need of public assistance. The Division of Family and Children (DFC) works to help families and children through Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Medicaid, food stamps, employment services (IMPACT), housing and community services, child support, child protection, child care, foster care, adoption, energy assistance and homeless services.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
IGC South, Room W451  
302 West Washington St.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call**  
(317)233-4454  
or  
**Check it out on the web!**  
[www.in.gov/fssa](http://www.in.gov/fssa)

## **Indiana Department of Labor**

Many laws are passed to ensure that Indiana businesses conduct fair labor practices. However, once the General Assembly has put the laws into place, it is the responsibility of the Department of Labor to make sure those laws are enforced. Any concerns about unfair labor practices are reported to the department, which then has authority to investigate the charges.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
Room W195, 402 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
(317)232-2655  
or  
**Check it out on the web!**  
[www.in.gov/labor](http://www.in.gov/labor)

# Indiana Department of Correction

Probably as well known as any state agency, the Department of Correction is responsible for maintaining the state's prison system. With 24 minimum and maximum adult facilities and 9 minimum and maximum juvenile facilities, the department has an incredible responsibility. Nearly 18,000 adult inmates and more than 1,000 juveniles require staffing of nearly 8,000 employees in the 33 facilities.

**For More Information, Please Send to:**

IGC-South, Room E334  
302 W. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-5715

**Check it Out on the Web!**

[www.in.gov/indcorrection](http://www.in.gov/indcorrection)

**Witness/Victim Helpline: 1-800-447-5604**

## Indiana Civil Rights Commission

The Civil Rights Commission is designed to protect the human rights of all individuals. Although often linked to issues of only racial discrimination, the Civil Rights Commission has the authority to act on all complaints of discrimination in housing and employment practices.

**For More Information,**

**Please Send to:**

100 N. Senate Ave.  
Room N103  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-2600

or

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/icrc](http://www.in.gov/icrc)

**Partnerships with the Indiana Civil Rights Commission:**

Indiana Consortium of State and Local Human Rights Agencies  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Indiana Holiday Commission  
Commission on the Social Status of Black Males  
Indiana Hate Crimes Statewide Reporting Network  
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development  
The Indiana Commission for Women  
ICRC Tester Program

# Worker's Compensation Board of Indiana

Whenever an employee is injured on the job, questions arise about how that individual will maintain a quality of life for themselves and their families. Most times, employers have a good policy to assist the injured employee. However, there are times when conflicts arise between employers and employees. The Worker's Compensation Board exists to help mediate any conflicts when a work-related accident occurs. In 1991, the Indiana Worker's Compensation and Occupational Diseases Acts were put into place. The legislature, labor, businesses and the medical community worked together to develop the laws.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

Room W196  
402 West Washington St.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

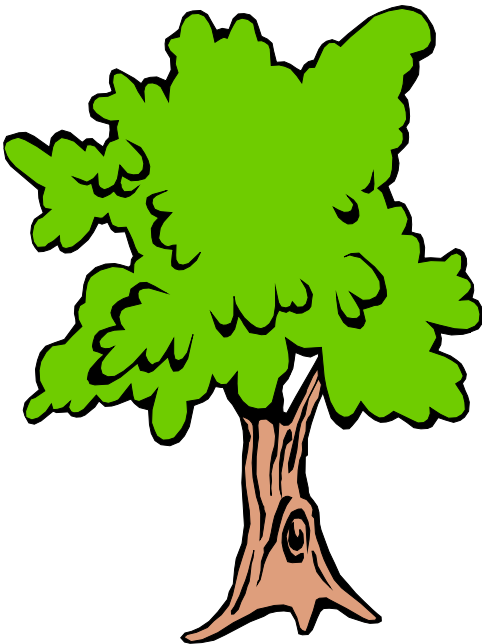
1-800-824-COMP

or

**Check it Out on the Web!**

<http://www.ai.org/wkcomp>

## Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR)



Regulating Indiana's outdoor recreation is the focus of the Department of Natural Resources. Responsibilities include: maintaining and policing state parks and reservoirs, regulating hunting and fishing seasons, historical preservation and assisting in environmental protection.

### **Indiana State Parks:**

North: Chain O'Lakes, Indiana Dunes, Ouabache, Pokagon, Potato Creek, Tippecanoe River (Bass Lake State Beach)

Central: Fort Harrison, McCormick's Creek, Mounds, Shades, Summit Lake, Turkey Run, Whitewater Memorial, Prophetstown (in development)

South: Brown County, Charlestown, Clifty Falls, Falls of the Ohio, Harmonie, Lincoln, Shakamak, Spring Mill, Versailles

For More Information, Please Send to: IGC South, Rm. W256, 302 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204  
or Call (317)232-4020 or check out the web at [www.in.gov/dnr](http://www.in.gov/dnr)



# Indiana Department of Education

Although the legislature has the sole authority to create laws regarding the education of our children, the Department of Education has the difficult job of administering the programs created under those laws. In addition, the department has the responsibility of creating education initiatives and helping to craft the state's curriculum. The Department of Education is directed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, who is elected statewide.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**

Statehouse Room 229  
200 W. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Call**

(317)232-6611

**Check it out on the web!**

[www.in.gov/doi](http://www.in.gov/doi)

**Just the Facts on Indiana's  
Superintendent of Public Instruction:**

**Name: Suellen Reed**

**Party: Republican**

**Home: Rushville**

**Elected: 1992;**

**Re-elected 1996,2000**

# Indiana Department of Revenue

Every April, the Department of Revenue becomes the least popular state agency. Collecting Indiana taxes and enforcing compliance with state tax laws is the responsibility of this agency. Although most citizens are only concerned with the Department of Revenue each April, this department is busy year round processing tax returns, collecting delinquent taxes and preparing for the next tax season.

**By logging onto the Department of Revenue website  
you can obtain:**

- ☒ **Indiana state tax forms**
- ☒ **Publications**
- ☒ **Information on new ways to file your taxes**

For more information, please send to: IGC North, Rm. N240, 100 North Senate Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46204  
or call (317)233-4018 or check it out on the web at [www.in.gov/dor](http://www.in.gov/dor)

# Indiana Department of Transportation

Because Indiana is the “Crossroads of America”, it is important for this state agency to provide a safe and efficient transportation network. Maintaining Indiana’s state highway system is only one responsibility of INDOT. The department is also involved with oversight of airports, railroads, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and historic preservation of covered bridges. In winter, INDOT is responsible for clearing state roadways, and in better weather is responsible for fixing the roadways damaged by the inclement weather. Indiana State Transportation maps are available from INDOT at no charge.



## INDOT District Offices:

LaPorte—(219) 362-6125  
Fort Wayne—(260) 484-9541  
Crawfordsville—(765) 362-3700  
Greenfield—(317) 462-7751  
Seymour—(812) 522-5649  
Vincennes—(812) 882-8330

For more information, please send to: IGC North, Rm. 775, 100 North Senate Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 or call (317)232-5533 or check out the web at [www.in.gov/dot](http://www.in.gov/dot)



# Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs

Although most benefits provided to veterans are handled at the federal level, the Department of Veterans Affairs exists to assist veterans, their dependents and survivors in obtaining any benefits to which they might be eligible. Indiana has recently added a few benefits for veterans including college tuition exemptions for children of disabled veterans. This program will be handled through the Department of Veterans Affairs. Contact the department if you have any questions regarding eligibility.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
IGC South, Room E120  
302 West Washington St.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call, toll-free:**  
1-800-400-4520  
or  
**Check it out on the web!**  
[www.in.gov/veteran](http://www.in.gov/veteran)

# Indiana Election Division

As a branch of the Secretary of State's office, the Indiana Election Division is the state's authority on elections. The Election Division is responsible for the administration of fair and efficient elections. Additionally, the division has begun working on various initiatives including online campaign finance disclosure, civic education initiatives and voter involvement.

**For More Information, Please Send to:**  
**302 W. Washington Street, Room E204**  
**Indianapolis, Indiana 46204**  
**(317) 232-3939**

**[www.in.gov/sos/elections](http://www.in.gov/sos/elections)**

## Indiana Gaming Commission

The decision to legalize riverboat gambling in Indiana caused many disagreements among legislators. However, all agreed that once it was legalized, a state agency had to be created to regulate and police gambling activities. The Indiana Gaming Commission has complete authority in awarding



**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
115 W. Washington Street  
Suite 950, South Tower  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call**  
**(317) 233-0046**

**Check it out on the web!**  
**[www.in.gov/gaming](http://www.in.gov/gaming)**

licenses to applicants and ensuring compliance with laws created by the legislature. Riverboat gambling has become a huge industry in Indiana. The state takes in hundreds of millions of dollars in revenue from the riverboats. It is necessary to have a strong regulatory agency over this industry to assure that crime and corruption do not take place.

# Indiana Department of Environmental Management



IDEM is charged with managing Indiana's environment. By enforcing environmental laws, and by promoting conservation and pollution prevention, IDEM attempts to make Indiana a clean, healthy place to live.

For further information, contact:

IGC North, Rm. 1301  
100 N. Senate Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
(317)232-8603  
[www.in.gov/idem](http://www.in.gov/idem)

## Department of Tourism

A division of the Department of Commerce, the Department of Tourism promotes Indiana as an ideal spot for vacationers from all over the country. They offer guidance in areas such as lodging and specific suggestions on what to visit in the state. Information from the Department of Tourism is available to anyone and can be very useful in planning anything from a family vacation to a weekend getaway.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
One North Capitol Ave.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call**  
(317)232-0600  
**Check it out on the web!**  
[www.in.gov/tourism](http://www.in.gov/tourism)

### **Guides offered by the Department of Tourism:**

- ☒ **Indiana Tourism Festival  
and Events Guide**
- ☒ **Guide to Indiana Bed  
and Breakfasts**
- ☒ **Indiana State Map**

# Indiana Lottery Commission

The Hoosier Lottery was created by the Indiana General Assembly and was implemented in October 1989. Since that time, more than \$1.5 billion in profits has gone to the state. A portion of those revenues has been returned to local communities by the legislature. The Lottery Commission is responsible for oversight of all games associated with the Hoosier Lottery.

**For Lottery Customer Service Call 1-800-95-LOTTO  
For Winning Numbers Call  
1-900-420-CASH (50 cents per call)**

**Check out the web page! [www.hoosierlottery.com](http://www.hoosierlottery.com)**

## Office of the State Building Commissioner

The OSBC and its five divisions are dedicated to promoting and sustaining Indiana's building safety standards. OSBC employees are responsible for inspecting and certifying Indiana's elevators, amusement rides, boiler and pressure vessels, and newly constructed buildings. Additionally, to help building professionals stay current in code developments, OSBC code experts present numerous educational seminars.

**For More Information,  
Please Send to:**  
IGC South, Room W246  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
**Call**  
(317)232-6422  
or  
**Check it out on the web!**  
[www.in.gov/sema/osbc.html](http://www.in.gov/sema/osbc.html)

# Department of Local Government Finance

Formerly known as the State Board of Tax Commissioners, the Department of Local Government Finance has a number of functions, including: ensuring that laws regarding property tax assessment and local government budgeting are carried out properly, publishing rules on property tax assessment, annually reviewing and approving tax rates and fines for political subdivisions, gathering and analyzing data relating to property taxation, maintaining databases, and periodically reporting on taxation to the General Assembly. The Department also provides training to assessing officials and administers an assessment certification program.

**For further information, contact:**

**IGC North, N1058**

**Indianapolis, IN 46204**

**(317)233-8295**

**[www.in.gov/taxcomm](http://www.in.gov/taxcomm)**

## Indiana Professional Licensing Agency

The Indiana Professional Licensing Agency is responsible for determining licensing criteria and eligibility for a variety of professions. The agency holds hearings regarding complaints against licensed professionals and has the authority to suspend or revoke a license upon their findings. The agency is divided into numerous boards that handle the licensing for the various occupations. The boards include:

Indiana Board of Accountancy  
Indiana State Board of Registration for Architects  
Indiana Auctioneer Commission  
State Board of Barber Examiners  
Indiana Boxing Commission  
State Board of Cosmetology Examiners  
State Board of Funeral and Cemetery Service  
Indiana State Board of Professional Engineers  
Indiana State Board of Registration for Land Surveyors  
Indiana Plumbing Commission  
Indiana Private Detective Licensing Board  
Real Estate Appraiser Licensure and Certification Board  
Indiana Real Estate Commission

For further information, contact: IGC South, Rm. E034 Indianapolis, IN 46204  
(317)232-2980  
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# Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission

The IURC oversees more than 700 utilities that operate in Indiana. The agency has regulatory responsibility over natural gas, water, electric and telephone services. An advocate of neither the public nor the utilities, the IURC is required by state statute to make decisions that balance the interests of all parties to ensure that the utilities provide adequate and reliable services at reasonable prices. The Commission regulates various aspects of the public utilities' business, including the rates, financing, bonding, environmental compliance plans and service territories.

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Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

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## Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles

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IGC North, Rm N440  
100 N. Senate Ave.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

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(317)233-6000

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[www.in.gov/bmv](http://www.in.gov/bmv)

Testing drivers, licensing drivers and vehicles, and titling vehicles are the top priorities for the BMV. Working primarily through license branches spread throughout Indiana's 92 counties, the BMV titles and licenses all types of vehicles, from cars and trucks to watercraft. The BMV is working on reducing the burdensome lines many people experience at their licensing branches by automating a number of their services. Renewing your driver's license can now be done by phone or on the computer. Contact the BMV for further details.

# Indiana Department of Administration

The Department of Administration assures that state government functions properly and has all of the tools necessary to serve the public. The management and maintenance of all state-owned buildings and facilities is the responsibility of this agency. In addition, whenever another state agency is in need of equipment, the Department of Administration is the first place to look.

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(317) 233-3116

## Indiana Economic Development Corporation

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDCorp.) is a public/private partnership which replaced the Department of Commerce as the entity to plan and implement Indiana's economic development efforts. The membership of the IEDCorp. consists of twelve board members, including the Governor who serves as chair and eleven others he appoints. In addition, an advisory council, which is mandated to include representatives from local economic development organizations throughout the state, assists the IEDCorp. board in their efforts. Other members of the advisory council consist of representatives from a variety of geographic regions and industries throughout the state.

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# **Indiana State Department of Agriculture**



The Indiana State Department of Agriculture will change how state government views agricultural needs for Indiana. Lt. Governor Becky Skillman holds the position of Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. The Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development, and the Director of Agriculture have positions on the Governor's Cabinet, allowing us to have an advocate for agriculture at the table during discussions with the Governor. This will elevate Indiana agriculture sector and improve how the state approaches and executes agriculture policies.

Previously, the many different state commissions and agencies dealing with agriculture were scattered within state government. With all areas now in one department, it will streamline the advocacy of agriculture consolidating current agencies and their budgets to enhance efficiency as well as improve agricultural advocacy with state government.

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